



Docket No. **PATENT** 430.180

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### COMPOSITE ABSORBENT PARTICLES

the specification of which

is attached hereto

X was filed on July 11, 2003

Application Serial No. 10/618,401

and was amended on by amendment concurrently submitted herewith (if applicable)

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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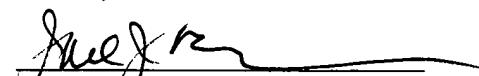
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37 C.F.R. §3.73(b)

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), The Clorox Company, a Delaware Corporation, 1221 Broadway, Oakland, California 94612, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment by the inventors of the patent application identified above. The assignment is being concurrently transmitted herewith.

The undersigned has reviewed all documents pertaining to the title of the application identified above and, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this certificate on behalf of the assignee, to the extent of assignee's right, title and interest in and to said application.

I hereby declare that the foregoing statements of fact made of my own knowledge are true; that statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under §1001 of Title 18, U.S. Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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